

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department – Allegation of Corruption and irregularities in assessing property Tax, allotment of fresh house numbers against Sri D.Ashok, former Bill Collector, Alwal Municipality - Enquiry conducted – charge held proved – imposition of punishment of stoppage of one increment without cumulative effect – Orders - Issued.

-----

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT(VIG.IV.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No1126

Dated:01-08-2008

1. G.O.Rt.No.225, MA Dated 21-02-2003
2. Explanation Dated 28-09-2004 of Sri D.Ashok, Bill Collector.
3. G.O.Rt.No.612, MA Dated 05-05-2005
4. Report of Sri A.Madusudhan Reddy IAS (Retd) COI Dated 27-02-2006
5. Govt.Memo.No.18899/Vig.IV/2002-13, MA Dated 29-08-2006
6. Further representation Sri D.Ashok, Bill Collector, Dated 16.10.2006

ORDER:-

On receipt of information that the Municipal Officers of Alwal Municipality were indulging into lot of irregularities in building permissions and allotment of house numbers, the appropriate Authority conducted surprise check on 29-04-1999 and submitted report and based on the recommendation the following charge was framed against Sri D.Ashok, Bill Collector of Alwal Municipality.

“That he Bill Collector, Alwal Municipality of Reddy District committed grave misconduct in as much as that he has assessed and hastily allotted the fresh municipal house numbers though the sale deed documents presented by the petitioner along with the petition for assessment of property tax and allotment of house numbers were showing the existence of some structure and already assignment of some municipal house number and failed to maintain absolute integrity in violation of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.”

2. Government have subsequently appointed Dr. A.Madhusudhan Reddy, IAS (Retd) as Inquiry Authority was under rule 20(2) APCS(CCA) Rules 1991. The Inquiry Authority submitted his report holding that the charge against the above said Sri D.Ashok is held proved, A copy of the report of Enquiry Officer was communicated inviting his report on the finding of Inquiry Authority.
3. Sri D.Ashok in his further representation 6<sup>th</sup> cited submitted that the role of the Bill Collector in the Municipality is to discharge his duties under the supervision and direction of Revenue Inspector/Revenue Officer and finally the Commissioner is the competent to fix the assessment the property tax as per the powers vested in him under the provisions of the Act. He has

routed the cases through Revenue Inspector and Manager who have recommended for assessment of the property tax and assignment of Door Nos and therefore it is clear to show that the ha has not comitted any irregularity in assignment of fresh Door Nos. while stating that the findings of the Enquiry Office are not justifiable and requested to drop action.

4. The Government after examining the Enquiry report and the representation of Sri D.Ashok, observe that the primary responsibility in assessment of Door Nos lies with Bill Collector and he can't through the responsibility on superior officers. The Government found that his explanation is not convincing to accept and decided to impose minor penalty of stoppage of one increment without cumulative effect.

(P.T.O.)

:: 2 ::

5. Accordingly, Government hereby impose punishment of stoppage of one increment without cumulative affect against Sri D.Ashok, former Bill Collector, Alwal Municipality.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S.P.SINGH  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To  
Sri D.Ashok, former Bill Collector, Alwal Municipality through Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, Hyderabad

Copy to:

The Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, Hyderabad  
The Director General Anti Corruption Bureau, A.P. Hyderabad  
The Secretary, A.P. Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad

//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER